Do TEL!

3 Hour TEL Presentation



What is TEL?

- The current selection of databases supports the information needs of grade school, middle school, high school, and college students as well as adult user needs.
- These databases include the full content of several thousand magazines and journals covering a wide variety of topics.

Who Pays for It?

- ■TEL is supported by federal funds under the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)
- TEL is administered by the State Library and Archives, a division of the Tennessee Department of State and headed by Riley C. Darnell, Secretary of State.

Where is It?

Access is available 24 hours a day for home computer users with a password provided by your local public library.

Your Library website

http://www.?

State Library website

http://www.state.tn.us/sos/statelib/tel/index.htm

Password = **elvis**

Where to Get Help

Product Fact Sheets from GALE

http://www.gale.com

■ Tenn-Share Website

http://www.tenn-share.org/tel.html

■TEL Coordinator

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What type of Information is in TEL?

Business Information

General Business File International

Health/Wellness

- Health Reference Center Academic
- Health and Wellness Resource Center

Newspapers/Magazines

- National Newspaper Index
- InfoTrac OneFile

Literature and Criticism

- Contemporary Literary Criticism
- What Do I Read Next?

Spanish Language

iInforme!

Homework and Education

- InfoTrac Student Edition
- InfoTrac Junior Edition
- InfoTrac Kids Edition
- Kids InfoBits
- Expanded Academic ASAP

Reference Materials

- Military and Intelligence Database
- Professional Collection
- InfoTrac Religion and Philosophy
- General Reference Center Gold

Science/Technology

Computer Database

Let's Start Searching!



Criteria to Decide Search:

- •What level reader are you helping?
- •What subject are you looking for?
- •Need popular or scholarly material to answer need?
- •What level of depth are you looking for overview or in-depth research project?

Searching Step – by – Step

- Choose Search Strategy
- Limiting or Narrowing Search
- Marking Citations
- Boolean Searching
- Retrieving the Article
- Advanced Searching
- Combining Indexes



How do I find?

- A high schooler needs biographical information on Maya Angelou
- An adult wants more books like Frank Herbert's Dune
- A college student needs the history of the Internet
- An youn woman wants info on preventing osteoporosis
- An adult wants general articles about the 2004 Presidential Election
- A mother and her 6th grader want to research the Civil War as it affected Tennessee
- A new TN resident wants to know where the home office of Cracker Barrel is and the name of the CEO
- A third grader needs to write a biography on Andrew Jackson